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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Application No.: 09/393,302

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For: A NOVEL CELL SURFACE  
RECEPTOR FOR HIV  
RETROVIRUSES, THERAPEUTIC  
AND DIAGNOSTIC USES

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated May 7, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 3 and amend claims 2, 6, and 13, as follows:

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1 2. (Twice Amended) An inhibitor molecule that alters and/or prevents the interaction between a receptor located on the surface of an HIV infected cell and a gp120 envelope glycoprotein of said HIV, wherein the inhibitor is chosen from:

- a) a peptidic fragment of extracellular or cytoplasmic P95/nucleolin,
- b) a peptidic fragment of P40/PHAPII,
- c) a peptidic fragment of P30/PHAPI,

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